

[Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi.]

(b) Regular instruction and teaching may commence after the first fifteen working days, soon after the admission of pupils is over.

(c) No. The results in Public Examinations in Government Schools are better than the results in Private Schools.

(d) The presumption is not correct in view of answer to (c).

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : May I know when the requisition was made by the Headmaster for four additional teachers?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi : I am sorry, I do not remember the date. One teacher was wanted for the III Form where there were 125 pupils. That class is going to be divided into two divisions. They can demand teachers, but only under the prescribed rules.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar : May I know for teaching what all subjects the demand was made?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi : I am not able to say that, because I have got demands from every Headmaster.

Mr. K. A. Raman Pillai : May I know the percentage of students who have passed the English School Leaving Certificate Examination last year?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi : It was distinctly higher than in the private schools. It was 55 per cent in the Government schools and 52 per cent in the non-departmental schools.

English High School, Attingal.

8 * Mr. G. Revi Varma: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) the number of girl students in each class of the English High School, Attingal;

(b) whether there is any teacher for Indian music in the School;

(c) whether the new building constructed this year in the school premises is being used for holding classes; and

(d) whether the building is to be left completed as it is without cement flooring and shutters for windows and doors?

Mr. G. Revi Varma : May I know whether Indian Music is one of the optional subjects for High School Classes?

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi : Yes, Sir.

Mr. G. Revi Varma : May I know whether the honourable member will take into consideration the appointment of music teachers in schools where there are large number of girl students.

Mr. A. Narayanan Tampi : The matter is under consideration.